Modernisation of BHEL

*395. SHRI SHANKARRAO NARAYANRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited has proposed a major programme for modernisation, diversification and upgradation of its products and services at a cost of about Rs. 100 crores in the next two years; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) BHEL have planned an expenditure of about Rs. 105 crores during the years 1988-89 and 1989-90 on modernisation, technology upgradation and quality improvement. In addition, the Company has plans for investments in areas like transportation, telecommunication, etc.

Raids Conducted by DESU to Detect Electricity Thefts

*396 SHRI LAXMI NARAIN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Vigilance Department of the Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking (DESU) conducted raids at the industrial premises, shops and in Jhuggi Jhonpri colonies between 1st April, 1987 and 31st July, 1988 and detected theft of electricity;

(b) if so, how many premises under each category were raided during the period mentioned above; and

(c) what action has been taken against the persons involved in the theft of electricity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to DESU, 949 cases of theft of electricity were detected during the raids conducted by their Vigilance Department between the 1st April, 1987 and 31st July, 1988. But of these, 74 related to industrial/commercial establishments and the remaining to domestic consumers.

(c) According to DESU, 76 criminal cases were registered with respect to these raids and 166 persons arrested.

Prices of TMP and SMX Formulations..

*397. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY:

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1569 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that leader prices of TMP and SMX formulations have been revised although no change in MAPE and bulk drug price was announced under DPCO, 1987; and

(b) whether the leading producers of these formulations have been involved in FERA violation cases?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government is investigating a case on suspected FERA violation against M/s. Burroughs Wellcome (India) Limited, Bombay.

Retired Officers of ONGC Employed in Indian and Foreign Companies

*398. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some retired senior officers of the ONGC got employment in Indian and foreign private companies on attractive salaries durnig the last three years; if so, the names of such officers and also the names and addresses of each company employing them; and